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The Honorable Robert S. McNamara  
Secretary of Defense  
Washington 25, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Secretary:

The organization of a joint CIA/DIA group to provide you with intelligence support for long-term planning of U. S. forces will be complete this month. Following your general approval of a joint approach to this problem, the specific terms of reference for the group were established by General Joseph F. Carroll and General Marshall S. Carter. (The terms of reference and roster of the initial members of the group are attached.) To ensure a continuing mutual understanding of your requirements and our capabilities, [ ] the Chairman of the CIA/DIA Joint Analysis Group (JAG) has established liaison with [ ]

In our attempt to establish reasonable projections of possible Soviet military developments up to a decade in the future, it appears essential that this group have access to information on present and future U. S. weapons systems, on a "need to know" basis. Not only will this provide a basis for determining that which the Soviets may be reacting to in the future, but it can provide some insight into weapon developments which appear feasible technically.

In this connection, it appears to me that our joint effort would be assisted by contact between this group and Defense Research and Engineering and the Joint Staff. If you agree, I would appreciate your designating some person in your office with whom [ ] could discuss the matter.

Additionally, it appears to me that this group should have clearances for Categories 7 and 10. If you agree, I would appreciate such action being taken.

Sincerely,

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